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House Resolution 1053

By: Representatives Davis of the 109th, Baker of the 78th, Lunsford of the 110th, Yates of the 73rd, Mosby of the 90th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Lemon family and the W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral
- 2 Home on 50 years of dedicated service; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Lemon family has been providing high quality, compassionate service to
- 4 families for the last 50 years; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Willie D. Lemon began his career in the mortuary services industry on
- 6 February 22, 1959, with Lemon & Helton Funeral Home in McDonough, Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 1965, Mr. Lemon established Lemon's Funeral Home at 300 Griffin Street
- 8 in McDonough, determined to provide the best funeral services in the area; and
- 9 WHEREAS, shortly after the grand opening, Mr. Lemon's wife, Mary, joined the business,
- 10 along with their sons, Bobby and Sherman; and
- 11 WHEREAS, both sons received extensive training, with Bobby earning a degree from
- 12 Kentucky School of Mortuary Science and Sherman graduating from Gupton-Jones College
- 13 of Funeral Services; and
- 14 WHEREAS, through dedication, hard work, and determination, the Lemon family acquired
- an additional facility in 1976 at 2090 Joylake Road in Morrow, Georgia; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in 1994, Mr. Lemon's youngest daughter, Dana, left her career in business to
- earn a degree from Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Services and join the thriving family
- 18 business; and
- 19 WHEREAS, after Mr. Lemon's passing in 1997, Mrs. Lemon ably and devotedly led the
- 20 family business, bringing in two additional family members, Sandra and Shannon, as funeral

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21 directors and encouraged participation by the remaining Lemon children, Dorothy, Katheryn,

- and Wanda, and several grandchildren; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Bobby has diligently and conscientiously led the business since 2005 after Mrs.
- 24 Lemon's passing, continuing the family tradition of providing proficient, thoughtful, and
- 25 caring services to the people of McDonough and Morrow.
- 26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 27 the members of this body commend the members of the Lemon family and the W.D. Lemon
- 28 & Sons Funeral Home for their kind and sensitive service to their community for 50 years
- and extend to them their sincere best wishes for continued success.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Lemon & Sons Funeral
- Home.